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Mr. Speaker,

I would like to welcome today the beginning of the Persian New Year, Norooz and wish the Iranian community in my riding and across Canada a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Norooz, a rich and ancient tradition celebrates life, renewal, family. This joyous holiday is celebrated with great enthusiasm, warmth and inspiration. Norooz enhances the cultural fabric of Canada, enriching our community and the diversity of our country. I recently had the pleasure of attending a Norooz celebration that showcased performances by young students of the International languages Farsi Program under the exemplary leadership of Pary Missaghi held at Thornlea Secondary School. In the coming days, I look forward to participating in the numerous celebrations taking place in my riding of Thornhill which has benefited significantly from the vibrant spirit and contributions of the Iranian Canadian community. Best wishes and a Happy Norooz to all those celebrating at this very special time of year.